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Washington, DC 20231

April 18, 2003

ATTN: W.P. ERWIN, DIRECTOR OF FINANCE
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ACCOUNTING DIVISION
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REQUEST FOR REFUND
(Improper Charge of Deposit Account)

I. REFUND REQUEST

This is a request for a refund with respect to the charge to Deposit Account
02-2448 shown on the statement dated April 1, 2002 for the above-identified

- ☒ application
☐ patent
☒ A copy of the monthly statement in which the error referred to occurs, accompanies this request.

II. FEES CHARGED FOR WHICH REFUND REQUESTED

	AMOUNT OF REFUND REQUESTED
<input type="checkbox"/> filing fee	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> surcharge for filing the basic filing on a date later than the filing date of the application (37 C.F.R. § 1.16(e))	_____
and/or	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> surcharge for filing the English translation on a date later than the filing date of the application (37 C.F.R. § 1.16(e))	<u>130.00</u>
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TOTAL REFUND REQUESTED	<u>\$130.00</u>

III. EXPLANATION OF WHY CONTESTED CHARGE IS IN ERROR

The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office has charged the undersigned's deposit account the \$130.00 surcharge for late filing of the English translation of the application. It is respectfully submitted, however, that this fee had already been paid. A literal English translation of the application was filed on January 23, 2002. The \$130.00 surcharge for late filing of the English translation was, however, submitted concurrently with the application on December 18, 2001.

As evidence of Applicant's previous submission of the \$130.00 fee for late filing of the English translation, Applicant encloses a copy of the postcard indicating receipt of the \$130.00 fee for late filing of the translation on December 18, 2001 (the submitted check was in the amount of \$540.00, which amount includes the \$370.00 filing fee, \$130.00 fee for late filing of the translation, and \$40.00 recording fee).

Accordingly, as the \$130.00 fee for late filing of the English translation was submitted on December 18, 2001, it is respectfully requested that the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office has charged Deposit Account 02-2448 in error and should refund this charged fee.

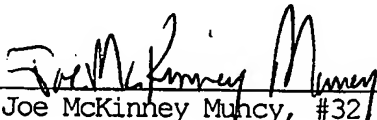
IV. MANNER OF REFUND

Please make refund by crediting Account No. 02-2448.

We respectfully request that the attached copy of this letter be returned to us with an indication that the credit has been processed.

Respectfully submitted,

BIRCH, STEWART, KOLASCH & BIRCH, LLP

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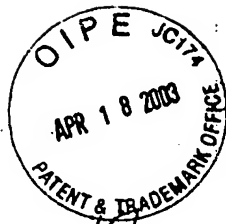
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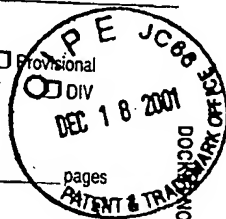


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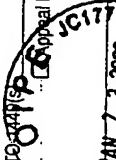
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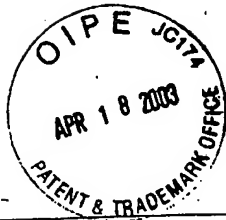
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